



“Me and my lovely daughters”

“Making a Difference”

Due to my chosen profession I believe I offer a unique view and perspective into our city. I would also bring a new and fresh set of eyes to the council. As a father of four children, two who have graduated from Concord High School, and have been to college, and two that are currently in Concord High School and will be attending college, fiscal responsibility and a safe community are my top priorities.

I’ve been a homeowner in Ward 9 for the past three years. Before that I was a homeowner in Ward 6 for about 10 years. Although I was born in Concord, my father is a 20 year Veteran of the United States Air Force so I was fortunate to live all over the world until the age of 12 when my family moved back to Boscawen NH.

If elected to the position of Ward 9 Councilor my intentions would be to work alongside the constituents of Ward 9 with a strong sense of dedication, hard work, and faithful loyalty.

For the past 18 years I have worked as a Public Sector Employee at the Merrimack County Department of Corrections. My experience working as a Department Head in the Public Sector has taught me the importance of working with a budget and the importance of fiscal responsibility. In 2014 I received National recognition as I was awarded the “Correctional Training Officer of the Year” by the American Jail Association which is a national, nonprofit organization that supports the professionals who operate our Nation’s jails. I’ve also received the Correctional Officer of the Year Award by the NH State Grange, “Above and Beyond Award” by the New Hampshire Association of Counties for my work in the reorganization of the County Corrections Academy.

In 2010 I was very fortunate to be a member of Leadership Greater Concord through the Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce and last year had the honor of being the Chair of the Steering Committee. I am also a Steering Committee member for the Concord Area Student Leadership Group. In 2013 I was honored to be recognized as the Chamber’s Volunteer of the Year receiving the W. Grant McIntosh Award at the Chambers Annual Awards Ceremony.

I'm someone who is committed to making a difference in our City and I believe my list of accomplishments in this area show my level of dedication. Just last week I was fortunate to be part of four panelists that spoke about Homelessness and Drug Abuse happening in our community today. This wonderful event was hosted by the Chamber and included an audience of about 100 community members.

I believe the make-up of Ward 9 is unique in the city in that it's made up of a large part of private apartment complexes, private housing authorities, businesses, and a small amount of residential homes. I see the ward consisting of a large amount of young families and it's because of this I would like to see the Community Center at the old Dame School come to fruition.

In reference to an article printed in the Concord Monitor recently, I agree with and also applaud the mayor for his goal of coming up with a strategy for attracting new development to the city. I like the idea of soliciting new ideas from the community and putting together a marketing package for Concord. His quote, "We have to do a better job telling our story as a city" is right on point.

Lastly, as I have stated before, I strongly believe the City needs to focus on our current infrastructure. Let's fix what we have and make it strong before we venture out into new large projects.

I can be reached by email at vote4okeefe@gmail.com or by phone at 603-715-9589 and I look forward to the opportunity to speak to the constituents of Ward 9.